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TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES			ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER 2418.96US01				
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	TIONAL APPLICATION NO.	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED				
PCT/JP2005/000735 14 January 2005			16 January 2004				
	TITLE OF INVENTION GAS-REMOVING DEVICES AND AIR SUPPLY SYSTEMS HAVING THE GAS-REMOVING DEVICES						
	NT(S) FOR DO/EO/US ARAI, Akishi MORITA, Nobuhiko NAKA	GAKI					
Applican	t herewith submits to the United Sta	ites Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO	/US) the following items and other information:				
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2.	This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.						
3. 🔽	This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below.						
4. 🔽	The US has been elected (Article 31).						
5. ✓	A copy of the International Application	as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))					
	a. a is attached hereto (required	only if not communicated by the Internation	al Bureau).				
	b. has been communicated by	the International Bureau.					
	c. is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).						
6.	An English language translation of the	e International Application as filed (35 U.S.C	c. 371(c)(2)).				
	a. is attached hereto.						
	b. has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).						
7. 🔽	Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))						
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8.	An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).						
9. 🔽	An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).						
10.	An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).						
Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included:							
11. 🗸	An Information Disclosure Statement	under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.					
12.	An assignment document for recordin	g. A separate cover sheet in compliance wit	th 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.				
13. 🗸	A preliminary amendment.						
14. 🔲	An Application Data Sheet under 37 C	CFR 1.76.					
15.	A substitute specification.						
16. 🔲	A power of attorney and/or change of	address letter.					
17. 🔲	A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821- 1.825.						
18.	A second copy of the published International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).						
19. 🔲	A second copy of the English languag	e translation of the international application	under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).				

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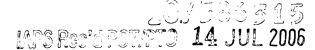
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- 3. Copy of front page of PCT Publication No. WO 2005/071785 A1 (2 pgs.);
- 4. Copies of Notifications of the Recording of a Change (3 pgs.);
- 5. Preliminary Amendment (5 pgs.);
- 6. Declaration and Power of Attorney for Patent Application (4 pgs.);
- 7. Information Disclosure Statement (2 pgs.), PTO Form 1449 (1 pg.), and copies of 3 cited references.:
- 8. Copy of International Search Report (4 pgs.);
- 9. Check in the amount of \$900.00; and
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